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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
FACILITATING MANUFACTURING

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TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is: Amendment in Response to Office Action dated July 1, 2004 (28 pgs.) Five (5) Sheets of Annotated Drawings; Six (6) Sheets of Replacement Drawings; and Return receipt postcard.

STATUS

2. Applicant
 claims small entity status.
 X is other than a small entity.

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Date: December 1, 2004

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EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

- (a) X Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136
(Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)

Extension for response within:	Other than small entity Fee	Small entity Fee (if applicable)
<u> </u> first month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
<u> </u> second month	\$ 430.00	\$ 215.00
<u> X </u> third month	\$ 980.00	\$ 490.00
<u> </u> fourth month	\$1,530.00	\$ 765.00
<u> </u> fifth month	\$2,080.00	\$1,040.00

Fee: \$430.00

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(Check and complete the next item, if applicable)

 An extension of months has already been secured. The fee paid
therefor \$ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months
of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$430.00

OR

- (b) Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this
conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that
applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension
of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(Col. 2) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(Col. 3) PRESENT EXTRA	SMALL ENTITY ADDITIONAL RATE FEE	OR	OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY ADDITIONAL RATE FEE
TOTAL		MINUS		=	x \$9 = \$		x \$18 = \$
INDEP.		MINUS		=	x \$43 = \$		x \$86 = \$
— FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM					+ \$145 = \$		+ \$290 = \$
					TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$	OR	TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$

(a) X No additional fee for Claims is required

OR

(b) Total additional fee for claims required \$

FEE PAYMENT

5. Attached is a check in the sum of \$

 X Charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384 the sum of \$430.00.
A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

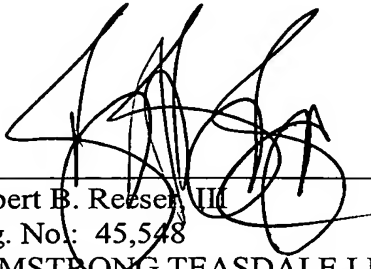
FEE DEFICIENCY

6. X If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.

AND/OR

 X If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.

7. Other:


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